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#### Field Crops

For the week ending June 11, alfalfa condition remains mostly fair to good. Durum wheat has matured on 85 percent of the acreage and barley has matured on 95 percent of the acreage. Harvest has been completed on 18 percent of the durum wheat acreage and 30 percent of the barley acreage. Cotton planting is virtually complete in the State. Squaring has occurred on 29 percent of the cotton acreage. Cotton condition was reported as follows: fair 47 percent, good 36 percent, and excellent 17 percent.

#### **Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops**

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped cantaloupes, carrots, potatoes, honeydews, seeded and seedless watermelons, and other miscellaneous melons. Citrus produce was also shipped. Western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, green onions, seeded and seedless watermelons, and other miscellaneous melons.

#### **Weather Summary**

Temperatures for the State were above normal for the week ending June 11. Temperatures ranged from 3 degrees above normal at Paloma to 13 degrees above normal at Willcox. The highest temperature of the week was 112 degrees at Phoenix, and the lowest reading occurred in Grand Canyon at 36 degrees. Precipitation was reported at 14 of the 22 reporting stations. Grand Canyon received the most at 0.51 inches. Kingman received the lowest precipitation at 0.01 inches. All of the reporting stations are at below normal precipitation for the year to date.

#### **Range and Pasture**

During May, Arizona's rangeland and pastures continue to be very dry due to lack of moisture throughout the State. Grazing conditions were very poor to fair depending on location. High elevation pastures were in mostly poor to fair condition. Mid elevation and low elevation pasture conditions were very poor to fair. Arizona cattle and calves were in mostly poor to fair condition. Soil moisture and stock water supplies were mostly short. Insect damage was light to moderate.

In Arizona's Northern region, overall grazing condition was poor. Conditions at high elevation and low elevation pastures were poor. Mid elevation conditions were very poor to poor depending on location. Cattle and calves were in mostly poor condition. Stock water and soil moisture were short throughout the region. Insect damage was light to moderate.

The Central region's rangeland and pasture condition ranged from poor to fair depending on location. Conditions were poor to fair at high, mid, and low elevation pastures. Cattle and calves were in mostly poor to fair condition. Stock water supplies and soil moisture were mostly short. Insect damage was light to moderate.

In the South, rangeland and pastures were in mostly very poor to fair condition. Condition varied from very poor to good at high elevations. Mid elevation condition ranged from very poor to fair depending on location. Lower elevation range and pasture condition was mostly very poor to poor. Cattle and calves were in mostly poor to fair condition. Stock water and soil moisture supplies were mostly short. Insect damage was light.

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## Temperature and Precipitation Data June 5 - June 11, 2006

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	Temperature				Precipitation		
					Past	Jan. 1	Departure
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal
Aguila	85	8	106	62	0.00	0.34	-3.59
Buckeye	87	4	104	60	0.00	1.11	-1.46
Canyon De Chelly	75	9	98	52	0.10	1.46	-1.71
Coolidge	86	5	108	55	0.04	2.41	-0.83
Douglas	81	6	99	58	0.00	0.42	-1.64
Flagstaff	65	8	87	40	0.42	3.93	-4.96
Grand Canyon	64	10	90	36	0.51	2.96	-6.24
Kingman	82	8	103	63	0.01	1.16	-2.54
Marana	87	6	106	63	0.35	1.50	-2.27
Maricopa	88	6	109	61	0.40	2.84	-0.03
Paloma	85	3	107	59	0.00	0.88	-1.96
Parker	86	4	106	66	0.00	0.26	-1.82
Payson	75	9	97	51	0.09	1.57	-6.33
Phoenix	95	9	112	77	0.00	1.57	-1.00
Prescott	74	9	95	53	0.17	1.88	-4.38
Roll	86	5	110	59	0.00	0.35	-0.61
Safford	85	9	106	59	0.02	0.83	-1.41
St. Johns	77	11	100	56	0.11	1.39	-1.70
Tucson	88	7	106	69	0.31	0.74	-2.03
Willcox	85	13	102	64	0.39	0.61	-2.09
Winslow	74	4	102	45	0.13	0.42	-1.74
Yuma	88	6	107	62	0.00	0.37	-0.68

<sup>1/</sup> Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

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